REMARKS

This application is a divisional of application serial number 09/767,973 that has been allowed and awaiting issue. Claims 21-24 remain in the application. Claim 21 has been amended to include the limitations of a sensor fixed along the seat belt. Further new claims 25-28 have been added to further define the sensor assembly. If the Examiner believes that a teleconference will facilitate moving this case forward to being issued, Applicant's representative can be contacted at the number indicated below.

No additional fees are seen to be required. If any additional fees are due, however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1482, in the name of Carlson, Gaskey & Olds, P.C., for any additional fees or credit the account for any overpayment. Therefore, favorable reconsideration and allowance of this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that the change of correspondence address, petition for a one month extension of time and a response are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on September 2, 2003.

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